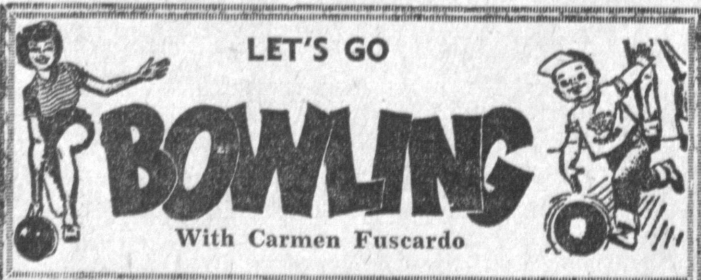


# PRESS Sports



Jerry Homel's pet project, GHBA, has grown into a bonanza. From one small tree, many branches have sprung.

GHBA affords many activities. April 27 the summer leagues begin. On Sunday, April 29, the Juniors get a chance to show their abilities, when the association will sponsor a Junior tournament.

On the subject of Juniors, The Bantams (ages 8-12) did a terrific job. These little guys have what it takes to make champions. Team No. 4 took top honors with 86 wins and 26 losses. B. Goodman, 147, and S. Parvis, 128, make up the doubles team. B. Goodman took high series with 627, and S. Linggo had 227 high singles.

## JUNIORS

Juniors (ages 13-15) closed their season with Team No. 6 (Keystones) taking first place. Winning trio is D. Murphy, 116; L. Mobly, 164; Charles Marshall, 170. Team No. 6 dominated trophies. Charles Marshall took high series with a 622; L. Mobly clinched singles with 247. For the girls, D. Watson won series, 559; while R. Cheryl took singles with 246. Averages for these juniors are cause for envy. Steve Wirtz has a 182; D. Rosen, 180; B. Dietwiler, 177; D. Matosky, 173; J. Rice, 175; L. Jeber-Jahn, 171; M. Krone, 168; L. Gladden, 167; A. Sallars, 166; T. Meyer, 161; C. Hart, 165; L. Graydon, 165; M. Bozeman, 165, just a few averages are below the 150 group.

Many of these Junior bowlers will be bowling in the National Junior Championship this coming Saturday morning at the Gable House.

Photo finishes seem to be the trend this week. In the Trinity Lutheran League, Team No. 9 and Team No. 10 ended in a tie. Both teams share 44 wins and 16 losses. I'll have more information on the winner in the next issue. Season honors went to D. Bradford's high series, 647; M. Ahlness and J. Sands tied singles game, 263. For the women, E. Thomas took a trophy with 609; high singles went to M. Olson's 244.

The Bowlers, bowling in the Sundowners league, took the championship with 71½ wins and 28½ losses. Champs are J. Cox, 158; F. Kessler, 174. Ladies, J. Knappenger, 150; M. Cox, 134. Trophy awards went to W. Davenport for high series, 633; C. Kenny took high game with 262. In the ladies' division, J. Knappenger had high series with 600, and R. Snover, 235 high singles. Note to Joan: Practice does pay off.

## FIRST PLACE

Pizza Palace for ATZGB ladies' scratch league squeezed through for first place with 54 wins and 36 losses. The foursome consisted of J. Hunt, 170; D. Smith, 131; C. Beaumont, 125, and V. Orr, 133. J. Hunt had season high series with 594 and M. Farber had singles with 220.

In the Methodist Church league winners are: The Peepuls Choice, Team 6, 72 wins and 48 losses. L. O'Brien, 110; F. Di Caro, 124, and W. Shepard, 135. Women: G. Di Caro, 114. Men's season high series went to D. Morgan, 598, and R. Lanning had high game with 223.

Ladies' high series went to N. McNeil's 494, M. Falkenstein garnered singles, 222.

More champions were crowned when Nite Owls closed their season with "Jesters" taking top honors. Team No. 1 line up is: Men, B. Strock, 134; R. Follick, 153; R. Lamplugh, 158. Ladies: J. Pillen, 124, and M. Strock, 122. Season high series for men was B. Johnson with 695, and Carl Costello took high game with 255. Ladies' M. Mitre had high 525 series and W. Bardwell won singles with 206.

An exciting wire to wire finish in the Ryans Hdcp. league ended in a tie for Team No. 8 and Team No. 10, each having 60 wins and 44 losses. A playoff will determine the winner. Bowling for Team No. 8 are C. Hanzal, P. Mason, E. Aufderheide, and Sam Molinari. For Team No. 10: E. Crawford, 147; J. Atchison, 169; R. Cleveland, 150; A. Stapleton, 130. Season honors went to T. Rose with high series 661. M. Belluso and R. Sherer tied for high game with a powerful 271. Ladies' high series went to J. Agrendt, 634; and high singles went to M. McClothein, 244.

## Strong Showing Made by Torrance Man at Ascot

One of the big surprises so far in the 1962 motorcycle racing season at Ascot Park has been the strong showing of newcomer Bennie Sims of Torrance.

Heading into Friday night's fourth week of competition, Sims who moved to Torrance this year from Albuquerque, New Mexico, and is currently tied with two other riders for fifth place in the season's standings.

Bennie, who was fourth two weeks ago in the 15-lap main event and fifth last week, has chalked up a total of 110 points to share No. 5 rating with Neil Keen, 1961 champion who has been having his troubles this year and another first-year expert rider Burt Richardson.

Heading the expert point parade is last week's main event winner Jack O'Brien of Santa Monica with 308. Stu Morley is second with 258, Sammy Tanner is third with 220 and Dick Hammer is fourth with 166. Tanner along with Al Gunter and Ohio champion George Roeder all had their troubles last week. Tanner, winner of the first two mains, and Gunter didn't start the main due to mechanical troubles while Roeder spilled while third in his debut on the fast half mile oval. All will be back in action this Friday night.

Another Torrance rider, novice Bob Bailey, moved into the top ten in the standings, Bailey, who was fourth in last week's main event for novices, picked up 40 points to rank fifth among the first year riders.

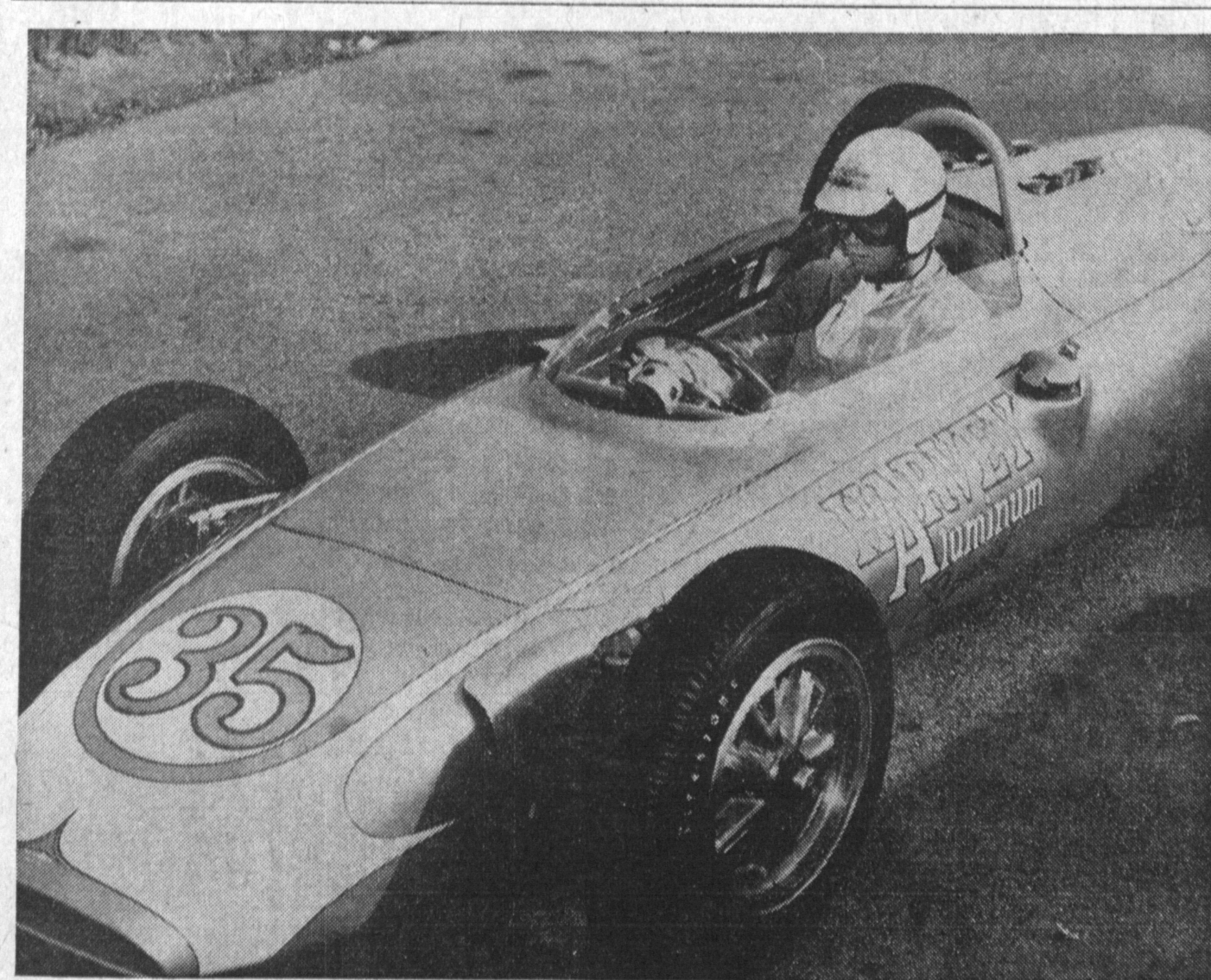
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# Youth Baseball Parade Sat.



**THOMPSON'S RACER TESTED** — Veteran race driver Chuck Daigh takes Mickey Thompson's revolutionary rear-engine Indianapolis Speedway entry for a secret test at Riverside. The sleek, all-aluminum racer, the

Harvey Aluminum Special, powered by a Buick V-8 engine, surpassed all expectations in its initial run. Thompson and Daigh both agreed, "It's a bomb!"

## Secret Trial Runs on Harvey Aluminum 'Special' Complete; Better Than Expected

Speed King Mickey Thompson completed secret trial runs of the revolutionary rear-engine Indianapolis Speedway racer with a broad-grinned "it goes even better than we expected."

Thompson, who holds the world's land speed record of 406.6 mph., was the first to get behind the wheel of the Harvey Aluminum Special for the trial runs at Riverside, California. After Thompson breezed around the track, veteran driver Chuck Daigh squeezed into the cockpit for a high speed run.

Daigh, who will drive car No. 35 in the Indianapolis classic for the aluminum producer, declared emphatically: "Fantastic acceleration. The way the car accelerates, it won't have to go through the corners fast—just on the straight-away. And the forward traction is exceptionally good."

The racer will be one of the most unusual cars at Indianapolis this year. It is powered by a Buick V-8 aluminum engine mounted behind the driver. Thompson's avowed aim is to crack the Offenhauser dynasty with the new car, one of the first Indy racers to be powered by a Detroit production engine in years.

Thompson, after his turn at the wheel of No. 35 said: "We're all extremely pleased with its performance. The handling characteristics and everything about the car were above expectations."

One of the outstanding features of the sleek racer is its extreme light weight. Where the average Indy roadster weighs in at 1600 pounds, the Harvey Aluminum Special will weigh approximately 1,080 dry—only 1,470 pounds with fuel and driver. This is 31 percent lighter than the average Offenhauser-powered Indy car.

**LIGHT WEIGHT**  
The secret of its light weight is extensive use of aluminum in the engine and body parts resulting from development work between Thompson and Harvey Aluminum. Mickey is an automotive consultant for the primary aluminum producer.

The Buick V-8 aluminum power plant has been modified to increase its rated 185 horsepower to 330 hp at 6,500 rpm. Displacement has been increased from the stock 215 cubic inches to the permissible 256 cu. in.

Thompson is unworried about horsepower. "Right now," he said, "we have more horsepower than we need."

According to Thompson, it will take 150 mph average speed to qualify at Indy this year, and he is confident that the Harvey Aluminum Special will deliver more than enough speed to make the starting line-up.

Car No. 35 will be one of the most striking entries in this year's racing classic. It stands only 31 inches from the ground at its highest point, and its needle-nosed air scoop gives it the look of a racy sports car.

Thompson plans to have three of his racers complete by race time. His goal is to prove that a Detroit engine can beat the best of the Offies at their own game.

The trip to the famed "Brickyard" has been a life-long ambition for Thompson, who started his amazing career as a backyard hot rod enthusiast. He is acknowledged as the world's "fastest man on wheels" and his next most sought after goal is the checkered flag and racing immortality at Indianapolis Memorial Day.

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## Celebration Kicks-off At 10 a.m.; Each League Will be Represented

An extensive "Torrance Youth Baseball Parade" is scheduled for this weekend, it was reported yesterday by officials of the local Youth Sports Council.

Parade, which will be based on the theme "Spring Training," will be held Saturday morning, starting at 10 a.m.

Route of the parade will be: Maricopa, between Maple and Crenshaw, south on Crenshaw, west on Torrance Blvd. and north on Madrona to the disbanding point.

Floors will be entered by each of the leagues.

Highpoint of the celebration will be the selection of Miss Baseball and Miss Little League from the dozens of entries.

Each of the league winners will meet at Walteria Park at 2 p.m. Sunday for the judging finals.

Saturday has been proclaimed "Torrance Youth Baseball Day" by Mayor Albert Isen. Official proclamation was issued last week at the Wednesday city council session.

Marching in the parade will be representatives from each of Torrance's nine Little Leagues, four Pony Leagues, three Babe Ruth Leagues, Tordena Colt League, American Legion League, Connie Mack "Red Devils," Connie Mack "Bullets," Pop Warner Football League and Pop Warner Football League Minors.

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## Harbor Nine Tied For Lead in Metro

A spate of Easter Week tournaments behind them, Metropolitan Conference baseball squads resume the league campaign this week.

East Los Angeles hosts Harbor in the featured Tuesday pairing. Harbor enters the fray with a 6-2 record that ties it with San Diego for the lead.

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## County Plans Include New Park at P. V. Golf Course

Inclusion of a community park in the Los Verdes Golf Course development to serve residents and children of the rapidly developing peninsula was authorized last week by County Supervisor Burton W. Chace.

The supervisor disclosed that the county will spend \$156,000 for the general development of the park section of the golf course site.

Improvements will include a sprinkler system and landscaping, playground and athletic facilities, a picnic area, hard courts, parking, walks and a service yard.

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